

## **Team East Lothian Athletics Club**

(registered charity in Scotland, SC045501)

## **JOB DESCRIPTION**

| Post Title:     | Physical Preparation Coach  |  |
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| Location:       | around East Lothian – Meadowmill Sports Centre as well as Dunbar, Musselburgh & Haddington          |  |
| Key Links:      | Event Group Coaches   |  |
| Responsible to: | Board of Trustees – Pathways & Coaching Trustee   |  |
| Post Agreement: | From 4-8 hours per week mainly on Mondays / Wednesdays / Thursdays £10-14 p/h Contract for Services |  |

Since 2012, Team East Lothian has been shaping the athletics pathway in East Lothian and is recognised as a talent environment for athletics. As a registered charity, we have strong community links. As we strive to improve our sporting outcomes and aspirations, we have an equal focus on how as an athletics club and as a charitable organisation we can become an integral part of our local community in East Lothian.

Having recently expanded our coaching programme, Team East Lothian is looking to engage with a physical preparation expert to work within our current coaching structure to develop athletes in our Academy, Development II, Development I and Potentials Squads.

## Main Areas of Responsibility

As the Physical Preparation coach, the successful candidate will be responsible for delivering Strength & Conditioning sessions for athletes across our squads for athletes aged between 11 and 18 years old across the event groups (Sprints & Hurdles, Jumps, Throws, Endurance). The role will involve working closely with our current physical literacy & conditioning coaches as well as our event group leads and assistant coaches.

- Provide leadership for the delivery and development of physical preparation services for athletes in Team East Lothian's training squads
- Deliver and lead on strength and conditioning for athletes in Academy and Development II squads (aged around 14 to 20 years)
- Support the delivery and provide direction on the physical preparation programme (physical literacy, movements skills and conditioning) for athletes Development I and Potentials squads (aged around 11 to 16 years)
- Support the physical testing, assessment and monitoring of athletes in identified squads (physical literacy report cards)
- Take a holistic approach to physical preparation, working closely with the TEL coaching team to support the long term development of athletes
- Work with the Event Group Leads, Assistant Coaches as well as Physical Literacy & Conditioning coaches to design physical preparation programmes that meet the technical requirements of event groups and that help develop physical resilient athletes
- Attend, contribute to, and /or provide regular reports at appropriate meetings associated with the TEL coaching programme



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## **Candidate Specification**

| FACTORS                               | ESSENTIAL   | DESIRABLE   |
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| Qualifications<br>and attainments     | Qualification at HND level (or<br>equivalent) in sports science or<br>coaching or extensive coaching<br>experience specialising in the area of<br>physical preparation<br>Minimum British Athletics Assistant<br>Coach, or equivalent.  | Working towards UK Strength<br>and Conditioning Association<br>ASCC   |
| Work experience<br>and skills         | Demonstrable experience in the<br>strength and conditioning and<br>physical preparation support to<br>young<br>Developing athletes to support their<br>long-term development as well as<br>the event specific and technical<br>demands.<br>Knowledge and experience of<br>working with young and developing<br>athletes | Proven ability to construct<br>individualised training<br>schedules specific to the<br>needs of different event<br>groups and athletes at<br>different stages of<br>development |
| Disposition and<br>Personal qualities | Enthusiastic, focussed, trustworthy<br>and reliable   |   |
|                                       | Excellent interpersonal and<br>communication skills<br>Team player with ability to work well  |   |
|                                       | with others, and to tight timescales<br>Ability to work flexible hours  |   |

For more information / to speak about the role please contact Jamie Bowie, Team East Lothian Trustee (Pathway & Coaching) on 07598 976972.

If you are interested in the role, please send a copy of your CV to <u>clubofficer@teameastlothian.org</u> by 12noon on Monday 19 March 2018.